

Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to amendment filed on May 16, 2007.

2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2,5-11,13,15-25,27-36 and 39-54.

3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) All b) Some* c) None of the:

1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.

5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.

(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.

(b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

5. Notice of Informal Patent Application

2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 20070328.

3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.

7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment

4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material

8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-2,5-13,15-25,27-36,39-54 are allowed.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Frank Nuzzi on June 21, 2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

- a. Cancel claims 3, 4, 14, 26, 37 and 38.
- b. At the end of claim 1, replace “.”, and insert -- ; and classifying each object identified by the first surveillance device according to rather is corresponded to an object identified by the second surveillance device; wherein the second surveillance device provides a video feed of a field-of-view of the predefined zone area; the objects identified by the first surveillance device comprises at least one of an active identification device or a passive identification device, wherein each first surveillance device comprises an associated profile. --.
- c. At the end of claim 13, replace “.”, and insert -- ; and classifying each object identified by the first surveillance device according to rather is corresponded to an object identified by the second surveillance device; wherein the second surveillance

device provides a video feed of a field-of-view of the predefined zone area; the objects identified by the first surveillance device comprises at least one of an active identification device or a passive identification device, wherein each first surveillance device comprises an associated profile. --.

d. At the end of claim 24, replace “.”, and insert -- ; and classifying each object identified by the first surveillance device according to rather is corresponded to an object identified by the second surveillance device; wherein the second surveillance device provides a video feed of a field-of-view of the predefined zone area; the objects identified by the first surveillance device comprises at least one of an active identification device or a passive identification device, wherein each first surveillance device comprises an associated profile. --.

e. At the end of claim 36, replace “.”, and insert -- ; and classifying each object identified by the first surveillance device according to rather is corresponded to an object identified by the second surveillance device; wherein the second surveillance device provides a video feed of a field-of-view of the predefined zone area; the objects identified by the first surveillance device comprises at least one of an active identification device or a passive identification device, wherein each first surveillance device comprises an associated profile. --.

- f. In the preamble of claim 10, replace the number 3 with the number 1.
- g. In the preamble of claim 11, replace the number 3 with the number 1.
- h. In the preamble of claim 21, replace the number 14 with the number 13.
- i. In the preamble of claim 22, replace the number 14 with the number 13.

- j. In the preamble of claim 33, replace the number 26 with the number 24.
- k. In the preamble of claim 34, replace the number 26 with the number 24.
- l. In the preamble of claim 44, replace the number 37 with the number 36.
- j. As to claim 36, line 10, please delete the word "compares" between "comparing" and "characteristics".

Allowable Subject Matter

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With regards to independent **claims 1,13,24,36**, the prior art does not specifically disclose or suggest a method and apparatus for classification of an individual or object with in zone comprises: receiving a first set of objects from a first surveillance device and a second set of objects from a second surveillance device with a predefined zone area; filtering the first and second sets of objects according to a set of predetermined characteristic to ensure that objects in the first set are comparable to the objects in the second set of objects; comparing characteristic of the first and second sets of objects and further comparing characteristic of the objects within the first set of objects to characteristics of the objects within the second set of received objects; classifying each object identified by the first surveillance device according to rather is corresponded to an object identified by the second surveillance device; wherein the second surveillance device provides a video feed of a field-of-view of the predefined zone area; the objects identified by the first surveillance device comprises at least one of an active

identification device or a passive identification device, wherein each first surveillance device comprises an associated profile.

With regards to dependent **claims 2,5-12,15-23,25,27-35,39-54**, they are allowable based on the dependency of **claim 1,13,24,36**, respectively.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

- a. Mckwoen et al. (U.S. 6,987,451) "Surveillance system with identification correlation"
- b. Yakobi et al. (U.S. 6,697,104) "video base system and method for detecting and counting persons traversing an area being monitored "
- c. Brittain et al. (U.S. 5,019,802) "Intrusion detection apparatus"
- d. Tanaka et al. (U.S. 2003/0197612) "Method of an computer program product for monitoring person's movement"

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hoi C. Lau whose telephone number is (571)272-8547. The examiner can normally be reached on M- F 8:30am - 5:00pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jeffrey Hofsass can be reached on (571)272-2981. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571)273-8300.

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